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Martin Luther King dreamed of a world where people of all races, ethnicities, and lifestyles could be equal in the eyes of the law and in the eyes of society. King dreamed of a world where people could see each other as people and protest issues with peace instead of with violence, a world where people can walk into a restaurant and not be sorted into a section based on the color of their skin. 11 I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character", this dream, this firm hope that people one day will be only seen as what they have accomplished or what they have the ability to accomplish in the future.

King's dream has since been mostly satisfied, there is no segregation, women and men work the same jobs, and the United States is one of the most progressive countries in the world. Yet I think that even now he would still think that his dream applies, instead of segregation we have people who are ostracized because of their sexuality and identity. While those things often shouldn't relate to obtaining a job in recent years people have lost job opportunities because of being LGBT. While I think King's dream was originally to help people who were segregated and oppressed at the time I think now he would see that his dream is more relevant than ever. In recent years people have been outed and killed, places that LGBT people go have been threatened with bombings and the community around this group of people often offers more hate than support. King's dream is more alive than ever, people cannot change who they are. Instead of judging someone by the color of their skin, the clothes they wear, who they are attracted to, what religion they practice, we should look at their character.

Since the 1960s a lot has changed in this nation, maybe instead of wanting equality for people on a racial or ethnic level I would like equality for humanity in general, many people in the world are oppressed by society because of who they are. "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that" while yes there is still hate, oppression, and aggression towards groups of people based on race, sexuality, and gender perhaps we should look at how we react to the hate, take King's words wisely.